INCREASE POWERS OF COMMISSION

Very Important Measure Designed to Further Control Corporations.

POINTED QUESTIONS

Railroads Will Be Required to Give Many Facts About Their Operation and Expenses.

RALEIGH, N. C., January 29 .- A very Important feature of the legislative sessions to-day was the introduction in the House of the bill prepared by city. the Corporation Commission for the en-largement of its powers, the bill reprethe Corporation Commission for the enlargement of its powers, the bill representing all that the commission wants in the way of additional means of controlling railroads and other corporations, except the power which the commission says is, onloved by the Virginia commission of issuing injunctions in proper cases and, rendering judgments for penalties appealable directly from the commission to the Supreme Court. This, the commission says, can only be had in this State by amendment of the Constitution, and the commission is ready, it states to prepare such a bill if the Assembly desires to act on such an amendment.

The bill introduced for the commission provides changes in the present law which will empower the commission to require railroads to provide improved or additional facilities, operate special trains, make and maintain connections with trains of other roads, compel improvement of roadbed and other culpment, better regulate telegraph rates, regulate telephone rentals and long distance toils and employ counsel for prosecuting its suits.

Three Quarters of Million.

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A bill introduced to-day by Senator. Breece for a building for State, executive and judicial offices and other purposes on the sites of the present Supreme Court and agricultural buildings carries an appropriation of \$750,000 and stipulates that the present State House shall be used only for legislative purposes, the rooms on the first floor, now occupied by State officers, to be used only as legislative committee rooms.

The House of Representatives of the General Assembly has just passed the bill for the appropriation of \$20,000 and ditional for State representations at the Jamestown Exposition, the Senate having passed it Saturday. So that there is nothing left but for the bills to be enrolled for ratification before it will be done within the next day or two.

Curator H. H. Trimley, of the State Museum, has just returned from Norfolk and the Exposition Grounds, where he was making preliminary arrangements for the State exhibit, which aside from the North Carolina buildings. He same the various buildings. It is much gratified at the outlook both for the State exhibit and the exposition in general.

Question of Railroads.

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The Joint Committee on Railroads and Public Service Corporations of the Sentic and House of Representatives forwarded to-day to the Southern, the Seabard Air Line and Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Companies, twenty-seven questions they desire the railroad companies to answer within three days. Especially notable among the questions are: Value of tangible property in and out of the State; itemized salaries of officials receiving \$2.000 a year and more; itemized accounts of private car expenses; list of persons who received free transportation during 1905, exclusive of operatives, but including attorneys; special trains operated without revenue; proportion of interand intrustate business, number of through and local trains in North Carolina; produce Defore the committee the books of the company, with proper person to swear to same; give terminal expenses in detail for North Carolina, other than regular attorneys; give amounts paid in connection with Legislatures and paid in any way for newspapers; amount of money raised during five years by sale of stocks and bonds outside of regular carnings; detailed statement of money spent for five years in North Carolina for maintenance of ways, shops, and how much for 1908; amounts charged to crosstlest since 1900, and amounts actually spent; questions as to distinguishing betwenty inter and intrastate expenses in operating trains; mortsage bonds outstanding and present value; common and preferred stock and value; questions as to lax assessment and net carnings.

The Atlantic Coast Line is asked as to issuance of additional stock to holders. The Atlantic Coast Line is asked as the Atlantic Coast Line is asked as to issuance of, additional stock to holders of original Wilmington and Weldon stock, and the value of all such distributions to these stockholders, together with reasons for their.

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Thirty Years Each.

Deputy Sheriff W. H. Cox, of New Hanover county, is here to deliver to the penitentiary three convicts—Frank James and Will Ashe, colored, will serve thirty years each for nurder, and Kate Fish five years for burglary.

The work of apportioning the second \$100,000 for bringing the public schools in all the counties, up to the fourmonths' minimum term has just been completed in the officer of the State Surperintendent of Public Instruction and will be passed upon at once by the State Board of Education.

It is expected that the warrants on the Gate treasury for the amounts that each county will receive will be mailed out early next week.

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real lumber business.

The Asheville Realty and Investment Company, of Asheville, is another company of hatered, the capital being \$30,000, by J. M. Gudger, Jr., J. C. Pritchard and others others.

Merchants' and Farmers' Mutual Supply

Company is also chartered for the town of Lenoir, capital \$10,000, by J. P. Pusnell

or Lenoir, capital \$19,000, by J. P. Pusnell and others.

The Dublin Real Estate Company, of Concord, is still another new corporation, the capital being \$25,000, by W. S. Lowe and others.

RIFLE SHOT FATAL.

Boy Dies of Injury Received

Boy Dies of Injury Received While Playing With His Cousin.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

DURHAM, N. C., January 22.—Allie Barbee, the youth that was shot through the head by his cousin and companion. Marvin Barbee, yesterday, while playing with a gun, died at an early hour this morning. An operation was performed to extract the bullet, but this was located in a very delicate portion of the brain and could not be taken out. The dead boy was the son of Mrs Annie Barbee, who lives several miles from the citty.

GOVERNMENT TO KEEP

the entire handsome homestead. An above-ground icehouse, was burned to the ground, as was also a two-story frame building, built and formerly used as a private school building. The wind-mill and tank, which supplied the house with water, were also burned. Many of the neighbors responded to the alarm, and most of the things stored away in the burned buildings were safely brought out. It is thought that the fire originated from smouldering fire left by the hired man, who had been thawing the water-pipes in one of the buildings throughout the morning.

The extremely cold spell continues. Yesterday morning the minimum thermometer of the United States Weather Station, kept here by Mr. Plummer F. Jones,

a representative of the government, who will be located here.
Miss Fannie Taylor, daughter of Mr. J. A. Taylor, of this city, has been awarded a scholarship in the Cooper Art Institute in New York, in a class of five hundred competitors, for best figure describer. drawing.

Rev. T. C. Whitchurst has resigned as pastor of Smithland Baptist Church in Northumberland county.

Charles H. Chapman has sold his farm in Upper Caroline county to Charles W. McKolister, of Botetourt county.

here, and it is thought that there will be no doubt as to its being established, as it seemed to be favored by a vast majority. In case it is erected it will no doubt prove a great addition to the city, and will fill a long-felt need.

The family of Mr. G. W. Harrison, who moved here from Raleigh some years ago, will leave this week for Williamsburg, Va.. where they will make their future home. They made many friends during their stay here, and the news of their departure is received with much regret by all.

by all.

Miss Erma Whitfield, who has been spending some time here with relatives, leaves to-morrow morning for Asheboro,

ACQUIT PEACEMAKER.

Colored Man Who Was Tried for STEELMAN IN JAIL Shooting Another Now Free

Special to The Times-Depatch.)
WINCHESTER, VA., January 29.—
Hobert Court at Berryville this evening, George Morris, colored, who was recently indicted for the killing of William Porter, also colored, was acquitted. During a Saturday night dance last summer Porter is aleged to have interfered with Morris, who was acting as peacemaker in a quarrel, and a pistol duel followed, both men being shot. Porter died after lingering several days.

DOCTOR'S BRIDE.

Miss Helene Hall Weds Dr. J. Leonard Jennings, of Danville.

(Special to The Times Depatch.)

DANVILLE, VA., January 29.—MIss Helene Hall, the accomplished daughter of Rev. J. Cleveland Hall, rector of the Church of Epiphany, became the bride to-day of Dr. J. Leonard Jennings, a prominent young physician of Danville. The ceremony was performed at the Church of Epiphany, in the presence of a large gathering, the father of the bride officiating. The presents were numerous and costiy, and came from many points throughout the United States. Dr. and Mrs. Jennings left Talk afternoon for an extended trip North, after which they will return here, where they will reside.

Walker-Moore.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

ALEXANDRIA, VA., January 29.—

Miss Allie Moore and Mr. Edward B.

Walker, both of this city, were married
this evening at the parsonage of the

Methodist Protestant Church. The ceremooy was performed by Rev, J. H. S.

Ewell, pastor.

Norvell-Morris.

early next week.

The Lassiter Land and Lumber Company, of Greensboro, is chartered with \$20,000 capital subscribed and \$60,000 authorized, the incorporators being W. L. Grissom, E. C. Lassiter, F. B. Ricks and W. S. Clary.

Another charter is to the White & White Company, of Hertford, \$10,000 capital subscribed and groom left for their home after the ceremony.

And many other painful and serious ailments from which most mothers suffer, can be avoided by the use of 'Mother's Friend." This great remedy is a God-send to women, carrying them through their most critical

ordeal with safety and no pain. No woman who uses "Mother's Friend" need fear the suffering and danger incident to birth; for it robs the ordeal of its horror and insures safety to life of mother and child, and leaves her in a condition more favorable to speedy recovery. The child is

also healthy, strong and good natured. Our book "Motherhood," is worth its weight in gold to every woman, and will be sent free in plain envelope by addressing application to Bradfield Regulator Co. Atlanta, Ga.



Leaves First Baptist Church, Lynchburg, for First Church in Savannah.

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MR. WILLIAMS'S HOME

HAS NARROW ESCAPE

Out-Buildings of Buckingham

Residence Burn-Thermometer

Six Below Zero.

at the home of Mr. Evan R. Williams here, and only the extreme calmness of

the night prevented the destruction of

the entire handsome homestead. An

ter of the United States Weather Station, kept here by Mr. Plummer F. Jones, showed a registration of six degrees below zero. This morning the registration was three degrees above zero. An ice-harvest is in progress in this section today. There is a layer of snow an inch and a half in thickness covering the ground.

President of Liquor-Dealers' As-

sociation Makes Reply to

Mr. Bennett.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch)

NORFOLK, VA., fanuary 29.—Mr.

John A. Lesner, president of the State
Aquor Dealers' Association, when askdi to-day for a statement relative to
he charge made by Dr. R. H. Bennett,
f Randolph-Macon College, to the efect that the saloon men of the State
ure raising a fund of \$30,000 for the
burpose of controlling the next Legisature, said that he would say nothing about it at this time, but would
urobahly have something to say on the
ubject at a later date. He did say,
lowever, that he personally has nothing to do with raising money for the
ssociation.

FOR KILLING COUSINS

at advanced pay, last night.

The latest developments on the killing show that Cousins was drinking, and insisted on following Steelman this home, and after being ordered away fixed at Steelman with a pistol. Steelman went into a room, and empties a double-barreled shot

man went into a room, and emptied the load from a double-barreled shot-gun in his breast, killing him instantly. Steelman is in jail. Cousins leaves a wife and one child.

REAL ESTATE AND

BUILDING NEWS

Tredegar Company May Build Considerable Addition-City

Now Owns Fair Grounds.

Among the real estate auction sales announced for this week is one that is

LESNER MAY MAKE

cial to The Times-Dispatch.) AROVONIA, VA., January 29.—Fire last night destroyed one or two out-buildings

for every occasion.

Two Men Charged With That Crime as Result of Game of Cards.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LYNCHBURG, VA., January 29,—
Rev. Dr. W. L. Pickard, who for the past four or five years, has been the energetic, successful and very popular pastor of the First Baptist Church, of this city, has tendered his esignation as pastor of that church n order to accept the call to the pasorate of the First Baptist Church, of Savannah, Ga. The formal announce ment was made Sunday, and while it was expected, it brought serrow to the large congregation which Dr. Pickard

was expected, it brought sorrow to the large congregation which Dr. Pickard has so successfully led as pastor for about five years.

The call was considered carefully by the board of deacons of the church last week, and before the formal announcement was made that the pastor would resign it was generally known that he would go to Georgia.

It is understood that Dr. Pickard will remain in Lynchburg for two weeks yet, and then he will go to New Mexico to spend several weeks with Mrs. Pickard and his daughter, Miss Fiorence, where the mother and daughter have been for several months in the hope of benefiting the daughter's health. After this visit Dr. Pickard will go to Savannah and begin his work some time during the month of March. It is not known now whether or not the condition of Miss Fiorence will permit her to be taken to Savannah, though it is hoped that the family can be reunited shortly after Dr. Pickard begins his work in Savannah, after having been separated now for more than six months.

Faces Charge of Murder.

Faces Charge of Murder, County Officer L. H. Brown returned from Danville this morning, bringing with him Otis Williams and L. Carrington, who were caught in that city by members of the police department. The men are charged with the murder of John Hunt at Otter River on November 36th last.

30th last.
It is alleged that Carrington and Hun It is alleged that Carrington and Hunt were playing cards and that they quarreled over 5 cents; that Carrington went to get his pistol to shoot Hunt. Williams met Carrington and asked him, it is claimed, to let him do the shooting. It is claimed Williams shot Hunt three times, causing his death in ten hours. Officer Brown took the prisoners to Rustburg this evening, and they will be given a preliminary hearing in a few days before Justice Dillard at Lynch's Station.

Officer Brown stated to-day that the Danville police department had accomplished some very clever work in rounding up these men in that city.

Receives Fatal Injuries.

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E. C. Bowers, a coppersmith, who has been working in Lynchburg, died last night at the City Hospital from injuries received by being struck by a freight train at Casey's, two miles below the city, yesterday morning.

The right arm of the man was ground off by the train, and he received a number of other and less injuries.

He was brought to the city on a passenger train and taken to the hospital, where Drs. Lile and Carroll removed the arm at the shoulder joint.

It was thought at first that Bowers would survive the operation.

The deceased halls from Washington, and he has a brother, Mr. J. G. Bowers, who is employed with the Russell & Oliver Company, on railway contracts for the Southern below the city. The remains of the young man will be placed in a vault in the city until arrangements can be perfected for the funeral.

The temperature this morning dropped to the lowest point in Lynchburg, February 2, 1903, the record to-day being six degrees, or three degrees higher than in February, 1903.

February, 1903.

NO PLACE TO MEET.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

DANVILLE, VA., January 29.—John

Cousins, who was shot and killed
ere last night by George L. Steelman,
as for the past four or five years made
is home in Norfolk, where he held a
ssponsible position as foreman of mahine shops. Several weeks ago he
nd his family moved to Caswell couny, N. C., near here, where he started
o farming. A few days ago he reelved an offer to return to Norfolk
t advanced pay, and was to have left
set night. Volunteer Firemen of Valley Find Cities Rather Lukewarm. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

WINCHESTER, VA., January 29 fact developed to-day that the Cumberland Valley Firemen's Association, which is composed of volunteer organizations along the Cumberland Valley Railroad, between Winchester and Harrisburg, Pa., is without a place to hold its annual convention in May. Winchester and Martinsburg, W. Va., were asked to entertain the association, but both places have declined on account of lack of interest. It is likely a business meeting will be held somewhere.

AWFUL NEURALGIA

But She Was Cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

Do not seek relief feom suffering simply, but free your system from the disease which is the cause of your suffering. That is the message which a former victim of neuralria sends to those who are still in its grasp. Hot applications, powders that deaden the senses and others that reduce the heart action may cause temporary relief, but the pain is sure to return with greater intensity.

Mrs. Evelyn Creusere, who has a beau-Among the real estate auction sales announced for this week is one that is to take place at noon next Saturday, Just as the groundhog will be deciding the momentous question as to whether he will stay out of his hole or rettle for another forty days, Messrs. H. Seidon Taylor & Co. will sell at the Henrico Courthouse door several lots of land situated in Henrico county along the line of the Richmond, Predericksburg and Potomac Railway. The land, which may be that out of which the groundhog will be sold in small farm lots, and the sale affords truckers a good opportunity.

The Tredegar Company has closed a call for the 400 feet of land lying on the canaq and river front and between its property and that of the Albemarle Paper Company. The price paid was \$10,600, although the deed which was recorded yesterday names only a nominal sum. Just what use the Tredegar people Propose to put this ground has not been divulged, but it has been understood for some time that they were in need of more space for certain enlargements of their bushiess that have been long contemplated.

The deeds to the city giving it undistructed white. The deeds to the city giving it undistructed white was reput to record yesterday.

It required several deeds to make the transfer complete. One of them conveyed from Winfield Scott and wife to the city a plat of forty acres of land on the west side of the Hermitage Road for \$12,355 a second, from Goold, Hoyt and others, heirs of Camilla S. Hoyt, a thirty-fouracre tract for \$17,301.50; a third deed in green of \$1,904.

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VETERANS WILL

and commending the men for service, as well as for appearance. Those Who Appeared.

All the institutions appearing asked for All the institutions appearing asked for more than they are likely to secure, but all doubtless anticipated that their requests would be scaled in amount when the committee comes to take up the budget. These appearing for the various institutions and organizations were:

Home for Needy Confederate Women, Mr. H. R. Pollard, Jr.

Mr. H. R. Pollard, Jr.
Retreat for Sick and Infants Home,
desires presented in letters showing the
work done there.
Rosemary Library, no representative.
Sheltering Arms Hospital, Captain A.
B. Guigon and Mrs. G. T. King.
Nurses, Settlemen and Visiting Nurses.

Nurses' Settlemen and Visiting Nurses' Association, by Miss A, Gulley and Mr. John B, Minor.

Home for Incurables, by Mr. Arthur B.

Home for Incurables, by Mr. Arthur B. Clarke.

Belle Bryan Day Nursery, Mrs. C. P. Walford.

Memorial Hospital, Dr. C. R. Robins.

Virginia Hospital, Dr. Hugh Taylor.

Tuberculosis Institute, Dr. W. H. Parker.

Fulton Improvements.

The Committees on Finance and James River Improvement met jointly, together with City Engineer Cutshaw and Assistant City Engineer Beek, on the City Dock yesterday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock and went over the ground, which the city is urged to purchase and fill by means of dredgings from the river, so as to raise it above high water mark.

An incident of the proposed plan is the raising of Lester Street so that it will be above the freshet level, thereby will be above the freshet level, there maintaining communication with Ful-ton.

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will be above the freshet level, thereby maintaining communication with Fulton.

Greater than the mere filling of a low tract of land, which will thereby be greatly enhanced in value, and greater than the raising and widening of Lester Street, is the fact that the proposed improvement will give the city about 2,200 feet of water front on deep water, thus affording ample room for extensive docks. This, itself, is of peculiar value and importance, by reason of the fact that it will provide Richmond for all time to come with a water transportation route and competitive freight rates to the sea, thus assuring a most advantageous freight rate for all the business of the city and its people.

The improvement contemplates the filling of a tract of about twenty acres of land now practically worthless and unproductive, lying between the city dock at Ash Street and Nicholson Street and between the Chesapeake and Ohio viaduct and the river will be straightened and the channel narrowed slightly and deepened considerably. Already eighteen or twenty feet of water can be had along the water front it is proposed to acquire. Lester Street, along which the cars run to Fulton, is to be widened from fortyone to sixty-five feet and raised to a level above the highest floods.

With the committee was Mr. O. H. Funsten, a real estate man, who, together with Chairman Morton, urged the wisdom and feasibility of the proposed plan.

The city must have a place to dump the dredgings from the river or else haul the mud down to Warwick Park, and the United States government, which is dredging just below, must also have a convenient place to dump, and the city can secure its deposits at nominal cost. If the city leased the land it would be merely conferring upon the owner a favor and a benefit and paying for this service, whereas if the land were purchased the city would be improving its own property, and the enhancement that would result would more than defray the expense involved.

Chairman Morton is very much in earness in the matter, and i

action will be taken later thereon. The estimated cost to the city is about \$75,000.

HOLD CONFERENCE

ON AUDITORIUM

Time Growing Very Short, But Agreement Will Likely Be Reached.

The conference committee representing the two branches of the Council will get together at 4 o'clock this afternoor n Room No. 11 in the City Hall, and will endeavor to reach some agreemen on the auditorium contract matter. There is need for urgent haste in this matter, since after Thursday the appropriation for the conversion of the market build-ing will revert to the general fund unsome action is taken to prevent

It will be necessary to call a meet-It will be necessary to call a meeting of both the Board and the Common Council for Thursday evening in order to adopt the conference report. If the conferees be unable to agree it is uncertain what will result. The Common Council might move to reconsider and then adopt the committee recommendation in favor of the Bedford plan.

Time is growing short for the construction of the auditorium, and friends of the project are very anxious about it. Agreement by the conferees is regarded as almost assured, however. In that event the building will be converted without seats, and there is reason to hope that the Finance Committee will provide for chairs later on and in ample time for the Southern Baptist Convention meeting there.

The conferees on the part of the Board are: Aldermen J. B. Wood, J. L. Satterfield and Robert Whittet, Jr.; on the part of the Common Council, Messrs, Richards, Huber and Mills.

AUTHOR'S DAUSHTER

Was Bret Harte, Now a Charge of Portland Authorities.

PORTLAND, ME., Jan. 29.—Mrs. Jessio Steele, a daughter of Brot Harte, an au-thor, is an inmate of Portland's poor-house. She was taken there four days ago, and the city overseers of the poor ar ago, and the city overseers of the poor arguments of get into communication with her husband. Luther Steele, to notify him of her condition and ascertain who is to be responsible for the maintenance.

Mrs. Steele is believed to be mentally unbalanced. She spent the summer of 1905 in a hotel on Chebeague Island, Portland Harbor, accompanied by a woman attendant. Her husband paid her board, After that summer Mrs. Steele boarded in hotels here and rented a cottage on the Cape Elizabeth shore last summer. Then she returned to Portland hotels, and last week the city authorities were infodmed week the city authorities were infodmed her mental condition and her inability

or her mental condition and her mainity to pay board.

Mrs. Steele spends practically all that time in her room in the poorhouse writing on paper pads. She says she is writing a play and intends to earn money enough to go on the stage. She says she thinks her husband is in the West, but she does not

SUMMER NORMAL.

Institution at Winchester Seems Now a Permanency.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WINCHESTER, VA., January 29.—The ermanency of the Winchester Summer Normal School for white teachers of the ginia, which was inaugurated last year was assured to-day by the City School Board making a liberal appropriation Similar financial assistance is expected from the Common Council and Board of County Supervisors. Several hundred County Supervisors.

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